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Remarks/Arguments

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The present application contains pending claims 1-7 which now stand rejected in the Official action of 14 June 2007. Previously pending claims 8-13 have been withdrawn in response to the previous requirement for restriction.

In the Official action of 14 June 2007, an objection has been made to the drawings because of the lack of distinct labels identifying the diagrammatic blocks in FIGS. 1 and 4. Applicants have replacement sheets for FIGS. 1 and 4 containing legends requested by the examiner.

35 U.S.C. 102(b) Rejection of Claims 1-7

Claims 1-7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by US Patent 5,923,665 issued in the name of Sun et al. In rejecting applicants' claims, the examiner contents that Sun et al. discloses a memory controller for decoding compressed/encoded video frame data using the same process as recited in applicants' claim 1.

The Sun et al. patent discloses a system for decoding and decompressing data, using a reduced size memory circuit. Further, Sun et al. discloses the steps of continuously acquiring a digital audio/video stream composed of an ordered sequence of images, and video decoding of all the images of the sequence (See Col. 5, lines 7-21 of the patent).

Applicants submit that Sun et al. suggests the desirability of allowing for a "freeze" of the video display (See Col 5 lines 47-53; and Col 6 lines 10-18). However, the Sun et al. patent does not disclose or suggest applicants' feature of receiving a request for displaying only part of the image; and responsive to the request, generating of a video signal based on only part of the images of the sequence, as now recited in amended claim 1. Indeed, there is no disclosure in the Sun et al. patent concerning which images should part of the image should undergo deletion at all. On this basis, the Sun et al. patent fails to disclose all of the features of applicants' amended claim 1. Therefore, applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. 102(b) rejection of claim 1.

Claims 2-7 depend from claim 1 and incorporate by reference all of the features of their parent claim. Therefore, claims 2-7 patentably distinguish over the art of record for the same reasons as claims. Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the rejection of these claims as well.

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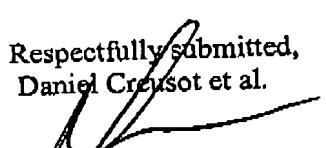
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Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments to the claims and the accompany remarks, applicants solicit entry of this amendment and allowance of the claims. If, however, the Examiner believes such action cannot be taken, the Examiner is invited to contact the applicant's attorney at (609) 734-6820, so that a mutually convenient date and time for a telephonic interview may be scheduled.

Kindly charge the cost of the additional independent claim, as well as any other fees that may be due, to Deposit Account 07-0832.

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